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In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 13, lines 14 through 22 with the following paragraph:

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The "Info" button 94 as shown in Figure 7G takes the user to the Patient Information Screen. Tapping the "Done" button 66 returns the user to the Select Patient Screen 52. The "Clear" button 96 clears the billing code for the selected code box. If the user taps the "Clear" button 96, the user will be prompted to ensure that the user wants to erase this information. The "Notes" button 98 takes the user to the Notes Screen where the user can optionally record additional information on the patient. Tapping the "Guidelines" button 100 takes the user to the Guidelines Screen where the user finds detailed documentation guidelines associated with the currently selected billing code. Billing code changes can be flagged 97 by an alarm to warn the physicians to check new guidelines.

Amendments to the specification are indicated in the attached "Marked Up Version of Amendments" (page i).

In the Claims

Please cancel Claims 1-8.

Please amend Claims 9 and 16. Amendments to the claims are indicated in the attached "Marked Up Version of Amendments" (pages i-ii).

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9. (Three Times Amended) A method for automating the billing process for physicians using an electronic handheld processing device the method comprising:
- displaying patient demographic information on a screen of the handheld processing device;
 - displaying billing information on the screen of the handheld processing device;
 - selecting the required patient and billing information once a patient has been examined;
 - downloading guidelines associated with billing codes;